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SUBJECT: MOROCCO: 1989 ANNUAL TERRORISM REPORT

REF: A) STATE 363024, B) STATE 31797

11. FOLLOWING IS POST'S CONTRIBUTION TO DEPARTMENT'S
ANNUAL REPORT ON TERRORISM:

IN 1989 THE UNITED STATES AND MOROCCO SIGNED AN
AGREEMENT ON JOINT COOPERATION IN FIGHTING AGAINST
INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM, ORGANIZED CRIME AND THE
ILLCIT PRODUCTION, TRAFFICKING AND ABUSE OF
NARCOTICS (REF B). IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF
THIS AGREEMENT, THE UNITED STATES HAS ENJOYED EXCELLENT
COOPERATION WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MOROCCO IN COUNTERING
TERRORISM.

IN 1983 THE UNITED STATES AND MOROCCO NEGOTIATED A
MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE CONVENTION (WHICH INCLUDES
EXTRADITION PROVISIONS). THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED
BY THE UNITED STATES, BUT HAS NOT YET BEEN SIGNED BY
MOROCCO.

MOROCCO SUFFERED FROM LIBYAN SUPPORTED DOMESTIC
TERRORIST ATTACKS IN THE EARLY SEVENTIES, BUT AS A
RESULT OF A CHANGING DOMESTIC/REGIONAL POLITICAL
ENVIRONMENT, THERE IS NO LONGER ANY SIGNIFICANT
THREAT OF POLITICALLY MOTIVATED TERRORISM IN MOROCCO.
THE GOVERNMENT OF MOROCCO, AND KING HASSAN II PERSONALLY,
ARE ADAMANTLY OPPOSED TO TERRORISM. THE PLO HAS MAIN-
TAINED DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION IN MOROCCO SINCE 1971,
AND MOROCCO CONTINUES TO PROVIDE STRONG DIPLOMATIC AND
POLITICAL BACKING FOR ARAFAT AND THE PLO MAINSTREAM.
MOROCCO COUNSELS MODERATION TO THE PLO, AND MOROCCAN
POLICY SEEKS TO PROMOTE A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT TO
THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT. THE MOROCCAN GOVERNMENT,
THEREFORE, DOES NOT PROVIDE ANY KIND OF SUPPORT FOR
TERRORIST GROUPS, WHETHER WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE PLO
UMBRELLA.

THERE WERE NO ACTS OF TERRORISM IN MOROCCO IN 1989, AND
SO, NO PROSECUTIONS INVOLVING TERRORISM.

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